

SENATE BILL 2179
By Burks

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-1-608,
relative to subject matter tests.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-1-608, is amended by deleting the first sentence thereof, by designating the remainder of the section as subsection (c), and by adding the following new subsections (a) and (b):

(a) End-of-course tests shall be developed and administered each year toward the end of the academic term for each course. These tests shall provide linear scales of measure which are highly correlated with the statewide curricular frameworks and, where state-approved textbooks are available, shall be highly correlated with the concatenation of all topics contained therein. The list of courses shall represent the minimum number of courses to be tested. The state board of education may include additional courses to this list, but the tests for these courses must meet the testing requirements outlined above. With the exceptions of Pre-Algebra, American Government, and Economics, the following list of courses are recognized by both the university of Tennessee and state board of regents universities as courses which contribute to the meeting of the admission requirements for their respective universities.

(b) The high school courses for which end-of-course tests shall be developed and administered are:

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- 1) English I, II, III, IV;
- 2) Pre-Algebra;
- 3) Algebra I, II
- 4) Unified Geometry;
- 5) Trigonometry;
- 6) Pre-calculus;
- 7) Calculus;
- 8) Math IV;
- 9) General Science (freshman level);
- 10) Biology I, II
- 11) Chemistry I, II;
- 12) Physics;
- 13) U. S. History;
- 14) World History;
- 15) American Government
- 16) Economics;
- 17) Latin I, II;
- 18) French I, II; and
- 19) Spanish I, II.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1998, the public welfare requiring it.